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CALIFORNIA (PA.)

ARMSTRONG

3	Final	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E	19
	CALIFORNIA (PA.) (9-7)	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	6	3	
	ARMSTRONG (15-5)	1	4	7	4	3	0	X	19	17	1	





Posted: Mar 13, 2012

SAVANNAH, Ga. - The No. 25-ranked Armstrong Atlantic State University baseball squad rapped out 17 hits and got eight RBIs from junior **Zach Taylor** in a 19-3 seven-inning victory over California (Pa.) on Tuesday afternoon at Pirate Field.

The win stretched the Pirates' winning streak to six as Armstrong improved to 15-5 overall on the season. California (Pa.) falls to 9-7 overall and finishes the 2012 Savannah Invitational with a 2-2 mark.

The Pirates pushed across an unearned run in the first inning, then tacked on four in the second on a bases-loaded walk to **Casey Maloney** and Taylor's bases-clearing 3-RBI double, making the lead 5-1.

Armstrong broke the game open in the third inning, batting around in a seven-run frame. **Cody Powell** led off the inning with a solo home run, then **Mike Barnhill** added an RBI single, knocking Cal (Pa.) starter Dave Kucenic (0-2) from the game. Maloney followed with another bases-loaded walk and then Taylor delivered a three-run triple.

BATTING
CALIFORNIA (PA.)
2B: none
3B: Kyle Bowser
HR: none
ARMSTRONG
2B: Zach Taylor 2; Alex Frederick; Drew Walker
3B: Zach Taylor
HR: Cody Powell

FULL STATS

The Pirates added another four runs in the fourth, highlighted by **Alex Frederick's** RBI double, then each team scored three runs in the fifth.

The Vulcans' Kyle Bowser knocked a two-RBI triple to right and Chuck Gasti followed with a sacrifice fly RBI to right. Armstrong answered with an RBI single by Barnhill, an RBI double by Taylor and a pinch-hit RBI single by **Chandler Hall**.

Jimmy Coughlin (2-0) was the beneficiary of the offense, picking up the win with four innings of six-hit, three-run ball, walking two while striking out three. Kucenic took the loss for the Vulcans, giving up eight hits and 10 runs - eight earned - in two-plus innings, walking three.

Taylor finished the game 4-for-4 with eight RBIs, the most RBIs in a game for a Pirate player since Kevin Bullard had nine RBIs in a 19-4 win over Queens (NY) on March 2, 2000. **Drew Walker** went 4-for-4 with four runs scored while **John Roberts** returned to the Pirate lineup after missing two weeks of action with a 3-for-4 day with three runs scored.

Bowser was the only Cal (Pa.) player to collect multiple hits as he went 2-for-3 with two RBIs to pace the Vulcans.

Armstrong returns to action on Thursday, March 15, hosting Tiffin in a Noon contest to close out the 2012 Savannah Invitational.



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